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A response to the Notification of Defective Response was filed November 12, 2002. However, since then applicant has not received any Official Action from the Patent Office regarding the application. Inquiry is made as to when an Action will be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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